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Hongkong, May 31, 1904.

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG GYM KHANA CLUB.

A MEETING of MEMBERS will be held at the GYM KHANA CLUB at the 2nd floor, on THURSDAY, the 26th inst., at 6.15 P.M.
BUSINESS:—To pass the Accounts; to reconsider, and if necessary, remodel the Rules of the Club; to settle the accounts for the Gymkhana Club Challenge Cup for 1904 season; to elect a Committee.
GEO. K. HALL BRUTON,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, January 23, 1905.

THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 30th January, 1905, at 11.45 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1904.
The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 21st January, to MONDAY, the 30th January (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, January 10, 1905.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 30th January, 1905, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1904.
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Hongkong, January 10, 1905.

THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 30th January, 1905, at 2.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1904.
The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 24th January, to MONDAY, the 30th January (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, January 13, 1905.

THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the COMPANY will be held at the OFFICE of the COMPANY, No. 18, BANK BUILDING, Queen's Road Central, on TUESDAY, the 14th February, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, confirming the appointment of a Director, and electing Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st January to the 14th February, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 23, 1905.

HONGKONG ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS.

TIME TABLE.
January, 1905, and until further notice.
KENNEDY TOWN TO CAUSEWAY BAY.
(Daily).
Kennedy Town to Causeway Bay. 7.30 A.M. and every 5 minutes until 11.00 P.M.
Causeway Bay to Kennedy Town. 8.50 A.M. and every 5 minutes until 10.30 P.M.
KENNEDY TOWN TO RACE COURSE. (Daily).
Kennedy Town to Race Course. 7.30 A.M. and every 15 minutes until 6.00 P.M.
Race Course to Kennedy Town. 6.50 A.M. and every 15 minutes until 6.40 P.M.
CAUSEWAY BAY TO SHAIKWAN. (Daily).
Causeway Bay to Shaikwan. 7.40 A.M. and every 15 minutes until 10.18 P.M.
Shaikwan to Causeway Bay. 7.30 A.M. and every 15 minutes until 10.54 P.M.
WORKMEN'S CARS. (Daily, Sundays Excepted).
Quarry Bay to No. 2 Police Station. 6.55 A.M. No. 2 Police Station to Quarry Bay. 6 P.M.
Kennedy Town to Central Market. 6.55 A.M. Central Market to Kennedy Town. 6 P.M.
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Hongkong, October 22, 1904.

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Hongkong, March 26, 1904.

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Hongkong, November 21, 1904.

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Hongkong, January 19, 1905.

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Hongkong, January 19, 1905.

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C. H. GRACE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, June 2, 1904.

Intimations.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(MANILA CABLE NEWS SERVICE.)

ATTEMPTS ON THE TSAR'S LIFE.

Shrapnel at a Religious Ceremony.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 20.

At the ceremony of blessing the Navy by Tsar Nicholas, as head of the orthodox church, a daring attempt to kill the entire royal family failed through the poor marksmanship of the gunners who fired the imperial salute.

The plan to substitute grape shot for the regulation blank cartridge was accomplished by the addition of the squad in charge of the saluting guns. The shot was fired as the Tsar reached the embankment and the contents of the cartridge whistled about the Tsar's head, coming very close to the mark.

The failure of the attempt is likewise due to the distance at which the shot was fired, the elevated position of the guns and the lack of time to take careful aim.

The miraculous escape of the Tsar has brought eabled congratulations from the principal rulers of the earth and has been made the occasion of general rejoicing throughout Russia.

The officer in charge of the saluting squad was immediately placed under arrest together with all concerned in the immediate responsibility for the safeguarding of His Majesty on the occasion. The arrests made have been ample to include all persons possibly concerned as principals in the act.

A thorough change in the guards about the royal palace has been ordered and the vigilance to protect the Tsar during the present domestic upheaval, will be redoubled.

Due to the recent friction between the government and reservists and the trouble incident to an extensive strike, St. Petersburg is practically under martial law.

The astounding announcement has been made that the aristocratic officer's battery, many of whom are closely related to the royal family, fired the shot that was prepared for the purpose of assassinating the Tsar and the entire royal family.

The officers of the battery are under nominal arrest but their standing and well-known loyalty to the Government is taken as conclusive evidence that they have no guilty knowledge of the reckless and daring attempt on the Emperor's life.

The theory is that the non-commissioned officers and privates who handled the cartridge and loaded the gun are directly responsible, as it would be impossible to mistake a blank cartridge for one with the regulation charge, even under the most extraordinary circumstances. It is the presumption that these men were simply the tools of military men and were willing to sacrifice their lives as a consideration toward accomplishing the death of the Tsar and a member of the royal family.

If the officers in charge of the squad were guilty at all, their offence is not greater than contributory negligence and their high connections assure them exemption from punishment beyond a slight reprimand.

In addition to the arrest and confinement of the soldiers who loaded and fired the gun, a number of the troops of other batteries have been accused of complicity in the attempt on the life of the Tsar and have also been confined awaiting complete investigations.

The communal societies, through General Mirski, have expressed their regret at the despatch of the Tsar and promise their entire cooperation to suppress socialism and to work along legitimate lines to secure the reforms they have demanded.

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NOTICE.

REVIVALISTS IN WALES.

Service in a Coal Mine.

In the varied history of Wales there has, probably, never been held such a meeting as I have just had the pleasure of attending writes a Standard correspondent in Cardiff. Hearing of an open-air service at two o'clock in the morning, I, in company with two ministerial friends, proceeded to a colliery four miles away. Having previously obtained permission from the manager, we were permitted to descend the shaft, lamps in hand. At five o'clock we had gone about a quarter of a mile into the workings when we heard the voices of men approaching us as they sang revival hymns. Nearer and nearer drew the flickering lamps, and soon scores of men, tired with the toil of a ten-hours' shift, had assembled at one of the partings.

The overman who was our guide immediately struck up, "There is love like mighty oceans," in Welsh, and soon the mine resounded with the soul-stirring music. Without invitation, an old man falls on his knees in prayer, and in an instant all heads are uncovered, and the colliers are kneeling. Hardly has he finished when another song of joy makes the pit ring afresh. Again and again is the refrain repeated, and the reverberating melody attracts numbers of men from all parts of the workings. Prayer after prayer was offered, song after song sung, and some of the colliers shed tears of joy. "Now then, boys, those of you who love Christ, up with your lamps," cried one of the men, and immediately numbers of yellow lights glimmered in the air. Those of the men who did not raise their lamps aloft are spoken to, and upon their signifying their conversion by lifting their "safeties," the coal-begrimed boilers sent up to Heaven a mighty psalm of praise. Thus it went on for an hour or more. The air was full of the revival spirit, and, as we watched the colliers step into the iron cage to be hauled up, they bid us adieu by singing their favourite "pon cillaria." Home they went, and, as they went, one could hear them singing, as they trudged through the mud and slush in the inky darkness of the night. For some time Cardiff has been on the verge of expectation, awaiting the approach of the Revival wave. At length it has come, and some of the sights which I have witnessed at a few of the wonderful meetings in the town I shall never forget. From the Tabernacle (Welsh Baptist Chapel) a band of young men and women leave the meeting, scour the streets, and bring in outcast women, drunken men, and wayward youths. Scores of Cardiff's "submerged tenth" may be seen nightly in the Tabernacle meetings, and numbers of singular conversions have happened. The revival spirit is now abroad at the docks, where sailors of all nationalities have become converts. The streets, usually the scene of boisterousness and commotion, have been transformed into peaceful thoroughfares, and the services for seamen are exceptionally well attended. Into Hannah-street Chapel, near the docks, a man rushed a night or two ago, and produced a great sensation. Although under the influence of drink, he marched up to the front, fell on his knees, and cried for mercy. Soon he swooned away, and was carried home. The congregation in the same chapel was startled one evening by the confession of a man who said that were it not for that service his body would then be in the dock, for he was on his way to commit suicide, but was attracted by the music.

Meetings are held every morning in the large drapery establishments of the town, and the shop assistants take an active part in spreading the flame, not only amongst their fellow-assistants, but also among the customers who frequent the shops in which they are employed. The shop life of the town is undergoing a complete change.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs KNOKE & CO., to Sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 26th January, 1905, commencing at 12 o'clock Noon, at his Sales Rooms, DUNDRELL STREET, WYNDHAM STREET, WYNDHAM STREET, WYNDHAM STREET.

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GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, January 20, 1905. 138

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 26th January, 1905, at 2.30 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, DUNDRELL STREET, WYNDHAM STREET, WYNDHAM STREET, WYNDHAM STREET.

A Quantity of JAPANESE TEA SETS, CHINA AND SAUCERS, BAMBOO AND LACQUER WARE, SCREENS, etc., etc.

On View from Wednesday, 25th January.

Terms—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, January 23, 1905. 154

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will Sell, by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 30th January, 1905, at 3 P.M., on the Street.

The Several Lots Numbered 1 to 19 on Plan to be seen at the Auctioneers' Office, for creation of

BOOTHES AND MATSHEDS on the Government Ground adjoining the Race Course, North of the Grand Stand Enclosure.

Terms—Cash.

For Plan and Conditions of Sale, apply to

HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, January 23, 1905. 161

PUBLIC AUCTION.

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on

MONDAY, the 30th day of January, 1905, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Yau-mai-ti, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Particulars of the Lot.

Boundary Measurements.

Area in Acres.

Area in Square Feet.

Area in Square Yards.

Area in Square Meters.

Area in Square Fathoms.

Area in Square Miles.

Area in Square Kilometers.

Area in Square Hectares.

Area in Square Decares.

Area in Square Centares.

Area in Square Millares.

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MAIL STEAMER DEPARTURES.

The following table is a chronologically arranged list of mail steamer sailings to Europe, America, Canada, and Australia. Coast ports, Manila, and Japan are not given, for steamers are constantly sailing for those ports. All the American steamers call at Japan, and the majority of the Australian boats call at Manila, and, in addition to those vessels, special steamers run there. The departure of every steamer is subject to alteration. The P. & O. mails usually reach London in about 28 days, and the French and German in about 28 or 30 days.

DEP.	STEAMER.	DESTINATION.	MAIL DUE LONDON ABOUT.	DUE.
Jan. 28	P. & O. Coromandel	London	Feb. 25	March 4
Feb. 1	G. M. S. Bayern	Hamburg	March 5	" 14
" 7	M. M. Ernest Simons	Marseilles	" 11	" 18
" 11	P. & O. Siala	London	" 18	" 28
" 15	G. M. S. Zieten	Brummen	" 19	" 18
" 21	M. M. Polynesian	Marseilles	" 25	April 1
" 25	P. & O. Chusan	Brummen	" 25	" 15
March 1	G. M. S. Sachsen	London	April 8	" 15
" 11	P. & O. Bengal	Hamburg	" 25	" 25
" 17	G. M. S. Prinzess Alice	London	" 22	" 29
" 25	P. & O. Nubia	London	" 22	" 29

DEP.	STEAMER.	DESTINATION.	DUE.
1905			1905
Feb. 8	O.P.R. Empress of India	Vancouver.	Mar. 1
March 8	do. Empress of Japan	do.	" 29
" 15	do. Athenian	do.	April 8
" 29	do. Empress of China	do.	" 19
April 19	do. Empress of India	do.	" 10
" 26	do. Tatar	do.	" 20
May 10	do. Empress of Japan	do.	" 31
" 24	do. Athionian	do.	June 17

DEP.	STEAMER.	DESTINATION.	DUE.
1905			1905
Feb. 3	P.M.S. Mongolia	San Francisco	March 3
" 17	do. China	do.	" 17
" 28	do. Manchuria	do.	" 28
March 14	O. & O. Doric	do.	April 3
" 24	do. Korea	do.	" 13
April 4	do. Coptic	do.	" 21
" 15	P.M.S. Siberia	do.	" 13

DEP.	STEAMER.	DESTINATION.	DUE.
1905			1905
Feb. 11	E. & A. Empire	Sydney.	Mar. 1
Mar. 8	C. N. Tinnam	do.	" 29
" 15	N. D. L. Prinz Sigismund	do.	" 29
" 29	E. & A. Eastern	do.	" 29
April 5	Australian	do.	May 26
" 17	N. D. L. Prinz Waldemar	do.	May 10
" 24	E. & A. Empire	do.	" 24
May 29	N. D. L. Prinz Sigismund	do.	June 21

His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at.
Alceity	despatch-vessel	1700	12	3000	Comdr. Richard M. Harbord	Hongkong
Albion	battleship, 1st class	12,950	42	13,500	Captain Sydney R. Fremantle	Hongkong
Algerine	aloop	1050	6	1400	Reserve	Hongkong
Amphitrite	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	18,000	Capt. Charles Windham, C.V.O.	Whitewall
Andromeda	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	16,500	Capt. R. N. Ommanney	Mine Bay
Antrea	cruiser, 2nd class	4380	10	6000	Captain L. G. Tufnell	Hongkong
Bramble	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Lieut. Comdr. T. D. Pratt	Hongkong
Britomart	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Captain Fegan	Hongkong
Centurion	battleship, 1st class	10,100	14	13,000	Lieut. Comdr. Asser	Hongkong
Cherub	water tank and tug	390	—	300	Reserve	Hongkong
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	350	12	1700	Captain Hon. Walter G. Stopford	Hongkong
Farol	cruiser, 2nd class	1550	8	3200	Reserve	Hongkong
Glory	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Reserve	Singapore
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Reserve	Hongkong
Har	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Reserve	Hongkong
Hogue	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Captain Shortland	Hongkong
Humber	storeship	1640	—	800	Lieut. Comdr. F. M. Rindore	Hongkong
Isipponia	cruiser, 3rd class	3600	17	8000	Captain W. B. Fauckner	Whitewall
Janus	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3900	Lieut. Comdr. A. Gregory	Hongkong
Kinsha	river gunboat	—	4	—	Lieut. Comdr. C. P. Metcalfe	Yangtze
Moeris	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lieut. Comdr. F. B. Noble	Yangtze
Ocean	battleship, 1st class	12,950	18	13,500	Captain T. G. Greet	Hongkong
Omer	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	4000	Reserve	Hongkong
Phaenix	aloop	1015	6	1400	Reserve	Hongkong
Ramblor	Surveying-vessel	635	6	650	Comdr. O. E. Moore	Hongkong
Robin	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut. Com. H. T. Vaughan	Hongkong
Rosario	aloop	980	6	1400	Comdr. Vivian	West River
Sardipor	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut. Com. H. T. Vaughan	Hongkong
Sirius	cruiser, 2nd class	3900	8	9000	Capt. O. H. H. Moore	Shanghai
Siron	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut. Comdr. Davidson	Yangtze
Sulej	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Captain Wm. L. Grant	Hongkong
Taku	torpedo boat destroyer	250	6	6500	Lieut. Comdr. Crawford	Hongkong
Tamar	receiving ship	4600	6	—	Commodore Dicker	Hongkong
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lieut. Comdr. E. V. Dugmore	Hongkong
Thetis	cruiser, 2nd class	3400	8	9000	Capt. J. A. C. Wilkinson	Singapore
Tweed	coast defense gunboat	353	3	320	Lieut. Comdr. R. H. Keate	Hongkong
Vancouver	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Capt. Leslie Stuart, O.M.G.	Hongkong
Virago	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6300	Reserve	Mine Bay
Waterwitch	surveying ship	420	—	450	Comdr. Ernest C. Hardy	Hongkong
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	380	6	5900	In Reserve	Hongkong
Woodcock	river gunboat	160	2	500	Lieut. Com. O. W. Wrightson	Upper Yangtze
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lieut. Com. Wason	Upper Yangtze

* Flag of Admiral Sir Gerard H. Noel, Commander-in-Chief.

† Flag of Rear-Admiral the Hon. A. G. Carson-Howe, C.B., C.M.G.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captains.	
Aspern	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	2437	20	7300	Capt. Friedrich Grintzenberger	Singapore
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	28	8000	Captain Mirti	Macao
Achiron	French armoured gunboat	1798	10	1700	Comdr. Laferriere	Saigon
Alouette	French gunboat	307	7	400	Lieut. A. Varney	Saigon
Argus	French gunboat	123	—	400	Lieut. Crespin	Canton
Asper	French gunboat	275	1	400	Lieut. Journe	Saigon
Avallanche	French gunboat	140	5	150	—	Haiphong
Bengali	French gunboat	580	6	400	—	Saigon
Bogusaud	French cruiser	3740	29	9000	Capt. Lefevre	Saigon
Casse-tete	French gunboat	140	5	150	—	Saigon
Chateaufort	French cruiser	8018	18	17,000	Captain V. Poidoux	Haiphong
Comete	French gunboat	425	4	438	Commander Lonal	Haiphong
Deceit	French gunboat	690	10	800	Commandeur L'Est	Saigon
D'Assas	French cruiser	4000	31	9500	—	Saigon
Eclat	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	Haiphong
Eurole	French destroyer	350	7	353	Lieut. Jehanne	Haiphong
Formentor	French gunboat	9370	36	20,200	—	Shanghai
Formentor	French gunboat	307	7	350	Lieut. Comdr. Beaussant	Haiphong
Formentor	French gunboat	1250	6	2300	Commander Le Colleur	Haiphong
Formentor	French cruiser	3700	12	18,600	Captain Gros	Haiphong
Formentor	French torpedo-boat	950	7	300	Lieut. de Venn Prat	Haiphong
Formentor	French gunboat	4015	27	8500	Capt. Hours	Haiphong
Formentor	French cruiser	350	7	300	Comdr. Schabas	Yangtze
Formentor	French torpedo-boat	9427	8	8071	Lieut. de Werth	Hongay
Formentor	French cruiser	1798	10	1700	Capt. Vincent	Haiphong
Formentor	French gunboat	9558	—	20,000	Captain Gubertean	Saigon
Formentor	French gunboat	625	2	400	Lieut. Holgue	Shanghai
Formentor	French gunboat	6150	23	4560	Captain Blomel	Shanghai
Formentor	French gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. Carol	Along Bay Canton
Gosard	German cruiser	1857	15	2900	Comdr. Huss	—
Gosard	German flaghip	11,000	38	14,000	Captain Provo	Manila
Gosard	German cruiser	1778	10	2860	Comdr. von Studnitz	Singapore
Gosard	German cruiser	34	10,000	—	Capt. Weber	Nanking
Gosard	German cruiser	8550	37	10,000	Capt. Baron von Schimmelnauer	Shanghai
Gosard	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Comdr. Baron von M. Hülse	Hongkong
Gosard	German gunboat	850	10	1344	Comdr. Wilbrandt	Manila
Gosard	German gunboat	1908	8	375	Comdr. Krowcke	Shanghai
Gosard	German cruiser	1540	15	2500	Comdr. von Grumbkow	Shanghai
Gosard	German cruiser	2630	24	3000	Comdr. Persius	Shanghai
Gosard	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Captain Jaeger	Shanghai
Gosard	German gunboat	170	5	1308	Comdr. Diebling	Canton
Gosard	German gunboat	—	3	500	Comdr. Giesher	Shanghai
Gosard	Italian cruiser	2900	10	7471	Captain Borea Ricci	—
Gosard	Italian cruiser	3630	—	—	Capt. Presabiero	Shanghai
Gosard	Italian cruiser	2488	29	7000	Capt. Pescotto	Shanghai
Gosard	Portuguese cruiser	1980	14	4000	Captain d'Antas Ribeiro	Hongkong
Gosard	Portuguese gunboat	720	—	—	Captain Coutinho	Hongkong
Gosard	Portuguese gunboat	3215	20	6000	Capt. Manuel Vaso de Carvalho	Hongkong
Gosard	Russian gunboat	810	6	737	Comdr. Guist	Viadivostok
Gosard	Russian cruiser	2900	5	4700	Comdr. Granchickoff	Port Arthurs
Gosard	Russian cruiser	6000	27	24,000	Capt. Reizenschtein	Shanghai
Gosard	Russian cruiser	7600	10	16,500	—	Port Arthurs
Gosard	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1150	Comdr. Bjekovitch	—
Gosard	Russian cruiser	6540	12	19,500	—	—
Gosard	Russian gunboat	6731	8	8000	Capt. Nasarovsky	Saigon
Gosard	Russian gunboat	1458	3	1700	Capt. Yonich	Port Arthurs
Gosard	Russian gunboat	500	9	3500	Comdr. Zagarsky	Port Arthurs
Gosard	Russian gunboat	1420	6	2000	Captain Jensen	—
Gosard	Russian cruiser	12,364	44	14,500	Comdr. Shumoff	—
Gosard	Russian gunboat	1000	6	1000	Commander Crown	Shanghai
Gosard	Russian gunboat	1224	7	1400	—	Shanghai
Gosard	Russian cruiser	3000	8	17,000	Comdr. Vasilloff	Port Arthurs
Gosard	Russian gunboat	1490	6	8000	Captain Koroff	—
Gosard	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,600	Captain Jakovoff	—
Gosard	Russian battleship	10,960	18	10,600	Capt. Zatazark	Damaged
Gosard	Russian battleship	12,874	15	11,500	Captain Gjeroff	Port Arthurs
Gosard	Russian battleship	10,960	18	10,600	Comdr. Liven	Port Arthurs
Gosard	Russian cruiser	1334	10	1768	—	Port Arthurs
Gosard	Russian battleship	12,902	16	16,000	Captain Sopronoff	Port Arthurs
Gosard	Russian protected cruiser	12,200	68	17,000	Capt. Matsuyeh	Viadivostok
Gosard	Russian protected cruiser	10,223	26	13,250	Captain Serchewnikoff	—
Gosard	Russian battleship	10,980	16	10,300	Lieut. Comdr. Ivanoff	Port Arthurs
Gosard	Russian gunboat	980	2	1125	Comdr. Zagoransky-Klase	Port Arthurs
Gosard	Russian gunboat	800	6	3300	Comdr. Abramoff	Port Arthurs
Gosard	Russian cruiser	1599	16	1184	—	Port Arthurs
Alhany	U. S. cruiser	3769	28	7500	Capt. Dyer	Cavite
Alhany	U. S. gunboat	1000	12	1227	Capt. Kohler	Shanghai
Alhany	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. G. Williams	Manila
Alhany	U. S. cruiser	4930	40	7	Capt. Sargeant	Manila
Alhany	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. Ervin	Manila
Alhany	U. S. gunboat	208	10	800	Lieut. Dutcher	Hongkong
Alhany	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. E. F. Joseph	Manila
Alhany	U. S. cruiser	3213	19	7500	Comdr. Hago Osterhaus	Manila
Alhany	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. H. E. Arnold	Manila
Alhany	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. A. W. Knox	Manila
Alhany	U. S. gunboat	680	10	6000	En-Comdr. J. Hood	Shanghai
Alhany	U. S. gunboat	3	1329	1888	Comdr. J. B. Sanyar	Manila
Alhany	U. S. monitor	3890	6	3000	Captain Mahan	Shanghai
Alhany	U. S. monitor	4064	4	6244	Comdr. J. B. Milten	Cavite
Alhany	U. S. cruiser	3437	20	7500	Commander G. B. Harbe	Manila
Alhany	U. S. gunboat	10,288	45	11,111	Captain Barwell	Shanghai
Alhany	U. S. gunboat	201	3	250	Ensign J. E. Bass	Cavite
Alhany	U. S. gunboat	201	3	250	Capt. Bennett	Cavite
Alhany	U. S. gunboat	400	14	800	Capt. J. B. Collins	Manila
Alhany	U. S. cruiser	3213	18	7500	Comdr. Marshall	Shanghai
Alhany	U. S. cruiser	4098	27	9913	Captain Vory	Manila
Alhany	U. S. cruiser	1000	13	1118	Commander Marshall	Shanghai
Alhany	U. S. gunboat	347	3	500	Lieut. H. A. Wiley	Shanghai
Alhany	U. S. gunboat	1357	8	1884	Commander A. W. Dodd	Manila
Alhany	U. S. gunboat	12,000	50	12,000	Captain Oliver	Shanghai

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Auctions.

Noon.—Auction of Stock of Bicycles, &c., at Mr. Geo. P. Lammer's Sales Rooms.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Tea Set, &c., at Mr. Geo. Lammer's Sales Rooms.

Meeting.

6.15 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Gymnastic Club at Coffee Room.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Singapore* undelivered after 4 p.m. on this date will be landed.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, January 27—

8 p.m.—Oxford & Cambridge Dinner at Hongkong Hotel.

Goods per *Zealandia* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, January 28—

9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Eothen Mark Lodge.

MONDAY, January 30—

11.45 a.m.—Meeting of The West Point Building Co., Ltd., at Company's Office.

Noon.—Meeting of The Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

2.30 p.m.—Meeting of The Kowloon Land Building Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at the Public Works Department's Office.

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THE EDUCATION QUESTION.

At the present moment we in Hongkong are in a very vortex of school break-ups, and floods of diadictic oratory descend upon us daily. It is the annual educational banquet—the one time in the year when the pedagogues and his critic step upon the common platform and without the least perturbation say their say. What to teach and how to teach are questions which led to warm debates in days long before those of Dominie Sampson, who, modest and humble scholar, deemed it preferable to hunt hungry for knowledge of Greek and Latin than to study the ways best adapted for the easy acquirement of the wherewithal to keep body and soul together. That is, it appears, the question even yet: Whether it is better to study the classics and chance going hungry in later days, or eschew the classics and store the cerebral cells with knowledge calculated to make for opulence and bodily comfort in the evening of life. To the man who desires to be a scholar for the sake of the tradition he can acquire, 'tis, as Mr. Toots would say, 'of no consequence' whether he is at the outset crammed with the classics or filled up with the flavour of the grocery shop.

He will, whatever his environment might be, carve out his destiny, and will be a scholar despite everything. If the means to reach the high pinnacle that he has set in his mind to scale are put in his way early so much the better.

He will get there all the sooner, but he will also get there even if his way be temporarily impeded by packets of tea, or rolls of cotton goods. On the other hand, if the man who is pre-ordained to shine in commerce is set in his youth amidst the most profound surroundings, and has at his hands straws through which he might drink in abundance of all manner of scholastic compounds, he will be found to dilly with this and dally with that, and mix and muddle, until he eventually drifts into the dollar-making mill there to mark out a course for himself. We are not all Admirable Cricketers. Many of us do not even rank high in geography—while lack the Governor deplorable—and few of us could say off-hand when Constantinople fell, or worse, when Queen Anne died—which ignorance his Excellency also regrets.

It was, in fact, that master of literature, Charles Lamb, who confessed to stupendous ignorance on most subjects. 'In everything that relates to science,' he once wrote, 'I am a whole Encyclopedia behind the rest of the world.'

I know less geography than a schoolboy of six weeks' standing. I do not know where Africa merges into Asia, whether Ethiopia lie in one or other of those great divisions; nor can form the remotest conjecture of the position of New South Wales or Van Diemen's Land. I have no astronomy, and if the sun on some portentous morn were to make his first appearance in the West, I verily believe that, while all the world were gasping in apprehension about me, I alone should stand untrifled, from sheer incuriosity and want of observation.

I never deliberately sat down to a chronicle, even of my own country. I have most dim apprehensions of the four great monarchies.

I am entirely unacquainted with the modern languages; and like a better man than myself have "small Latin and less Greek." Yet who has not read the famous Essays of Elia without profiting? There are other great men besides Charles Lamb who have made names, though ill-equipped with learning. Many of our most famous men—inventors in particular—have set out

into the world with a greater accumulation of ignorance than knowledge, and only last month the Prime Minister of Australia—though a small star in the illustrious firmament—lecturing on this very subject of education, acknowledged that he was the greatest dunce in his school—and never took a prize.

He is to-day a King's Counsel and Doctor of Laws. This all goes to show that the problem of what to teach and how to teach is a difficult one to solve. What will suit the capacity of one boy or girl will not suit that of another. Temperament is a prominent factor, and until some scheme is devised which will make allowances for peculiarities there is not going to be uniform success, and, consequently, general satisfaction. Education is always changing and expanding. That of to-day is materially different from that in vogue in the days of our forefathers. As the years go on we find experts endeavouring to specialise education to suit the teaching to the requirements of the pupil, and the introduction of technical and commercial training are steps towards the solution of the difficulty which was constantly confronting parents long ago when setting out to select a profession or trade for their boys. With the advance of education for boys there has also been natural and simultaneous progress in that for girls, and we now find women entering all manner of avenues which in past years were labelled 'for men only,' and jealously guarded for their sole use. We admit the desirability of all boys being educated as much as possible, but we feel it is useless to bewail patches of ignorance when we endeavour to apply a common form of education to all. Some boys have receptive minds in which dates, for instance, stick fast—while others will never remember a date for long no matter how much hammering is done to cause it to remain in the memory. Many people have discovered what Charles Lamb found out, that a man may do very well with a very little knowledge and scarce be found out in mixed company; everybody is so much more ready to produce his own, than to call for a display of your acquisitions. But that is no plea for shirking study—or it should not be.

What should be the aim of education? Is the discovery of the special lines which will be relished by students after a general ground work has been laid, and which will be profitable to them in after life. Just as a study of stocks and shares is of no use to the girl who is destined to settle down in domestic quietude, so is a long course of classics useless to the man who is cut out by fate for a seller of soft goods. We do not believe in the total abolition of the good old curriculum; we believe in the gentleman receiving the education of a gentleman. All boys are not equally clever and what is necessary is to ascertain in which direction inclinations lie, and foster them. The task is difficult, and years ago would have been voted impossible. The modern specialisation of mental culture is, however, shattering many of the old beliefs, and will with further development do away to a great extent with the haphazard turning out of a man a 'jack of all trades and master of none.' The Colony should be thankful they have such an enthusiast as Sir Matthew Nathan to keep an eye on the schools.

Owing to the late arrival of 'P. T. C.'s' letter and the pressure on our space, we are compelled to hold it over. We would be pleased if intending correspondents could let us have manuscript early in the day.

Hongkong the Mysterious.

It is a common occurrence to be stopped by visitors, and even residents, in the neighbourhood of Beaconsfield, enquiring the whereabouts of the P. W. D. or the Registrar's Office. Is it modesty or what, that leads to these important places being unnamed or with only an inconspicuous little board. It might, with advantage to the temper of the people, be noted that the P. W. D., Beaconsfield, Garden Road and even the Post Office—all greatly sought for daily—are without the slightest distinct public sign. Such modesty is embarrassing.

RELIEF AFTER SIX YEARS.

Mr. M. A. Clark, of Timberrange, N. S. W., Australia, writes: 'I wish to inform you of the wonderful benefit I have suffered from your valuable medicine. I have suffered from a severe cough for six years and obtained no relief until I took Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. One bottle cured me and I am thankful to say that I have never had the cough since. Make any use of any other poor medicine. For sale by all Dealers. WATKINS & Co., Ltd., General Agents.'

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

The members of the French Amateur Dramatic Company gave an excellent performance of 'Le voyage des Baribou' at Shanghai on January 18.

An electric car left the rails while attempting to avoid the fire hose leading into New Market Street, this afternoon, and blocked the traffic for some time.

There were 274 European and 102 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library; 112 European and 1,392 Chinese visitors to the Museum during the week ending 22nd January.

A rather gruesome discovery was made by the inmates of the Portuguese Convent, St. Francis Street, on opening the door, this morning. Close to the doorstep was the body of a child which had been dead some time and abandoned by its mother. The body was removed by the police.

Quarantine Regulations.

The following telegram from the Secretary to Government, Burma, has been received by the Colonial Secretary:—Janu'y 24, 1905. 'Hongkong declared infected, inform shipping firms.'

Off to Egypt.

Dr. Atkinson stated, at yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board, that Dr. Barnett was leaving the Board's services to take up a position in Egypt. During his stay in Hongkong Dr. Barnett had acquired a good deal of experience in plague and he was certain it would be valuable to him in the future. They all wished him success. Dr. Barnett thanked the President for his good wishes.

Football.

The Hongkong Football Club will play a rugby match against a team selected by Mr. Gordon on Happy Valley at 4.45 p.m. to-morrow. The following will play for the Club:—Back, Lieut. Macdonald; three-quarters, J. Thomson, Lieut. Hanney, G. D. Bateman and A. S. Kempthorne; halves, H. Soper and another; forwards, Lieuts. Rankin, Holden and Rogers, J. C. Steen, J. Hanlon, D. B. Murray, H. F. Chard and another.

Korean Railways.

The railway between Seoul and Pyongyang was expected to have been completed about the middle of January. The construction of the line southward from Wiju to Chongju will be completed in February. There will then still remain some sixty miles to be completed to establish through traffic between Seoul and Wiju. With reference to the extension of the line into Manchuria, the Japanese authorities have already made a survey. The result of the survey is being kept secret for military considerations.

Disease at Kennedy Town.

The Colonial Veterinary Surgeon reported a case of black quarter, at yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board, which he found in Kennedy Town depot on January 7. The animal, a bullock, arrived at the cattle wharf from Wa Chow in the morning in a moribund condition and was at once carried up to the slaughter house and killed. Twenty-two other animals that came with it were all healthy, but had been set apart by themselves. This case was chiefly of interest from the fact that it was the first of its kind that had been recorded in China. The disease was not communicable to man, nor very infectious among animals. It was contracted by inoculation only.

Attempts to Wreck Trams.

A daring attempt was made at West Point last night to wreck an electric tramcar. As one of the cars was passing along after dark a pile of stones was noticed on the line near Wing Lok Street, fortunately in time to pull the car up. The stones were removed by the Tramway Company's men. Had the car run on to the stones a serious accident must have resulted. Later in the evening another attempt at wrecking was discovered when the front wheels of a car ran over a piece of iron, about eight inches long, placed on the roadway. The obstruction did not throw the car off the rails but checked its speed so that it was pulled up and the iron removed from underneath the car.

Parents Summoned.

A large number of prosecutions instituted by the Registrar General against parents for neglect to have their children vaccinated within the prescribed time after their birth, came before Mr. H. H. J. Gorman, at the Magistrate's court, this morning. Amongst those summoned were Miss E. F. Gibson, Messrs. H. E. Goldsmith, H. O. Goldsmith, E. B. Alves, J. Palacios, Abdullah, E. M. Hazeland, and D. Santos. The latter was fined \$1 and the 'cases' against Mr. Hazeland and Mrs. Gibson were withdrawn, while the rest of the defendants failed to appear. Mr. Gorman remanded the summonses against them for two days and said if they did not come to the Court then warrants would be issued for their arrest. A number of Chinese men and women were also fined \$1 each for neglecting to have their children vaccinated.

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THE RUSSIAN RIOTS.

A TEMPORARY LULL.

Moscow Authorities Use Threats.

London, January 24. The firing on the evening of January 23 (Monday) was isolated, there being an encounter with the strikers in one of the streets abutting on Nevsky Prospect, all of which are barred by troops.

The city of St. Petersburg is quiet at night, with the exception of petty depredations by bands of 'hooligans.' Many shops, however, have been wrecked and pillaged in the suburbs.

A proclamation has been issued by the Prefect of Moscow warning every one that if it becomes necessary the authorities will not hesitate to adopt the same severe measures as those employed in St. Petersburg.

[REUTERS'S SERVICE.]
THE FRENCH CABINET.

London, January 23. M. Rouvier has practically completed the Cabinet, and decided to adhere to the Combe's programme.

M. Delcasse remains Minister of Foreign Affairs.

ST. PETERSBURG QUIET.

The centre of St. Petersburg was practically deserted in the evening except for the troops camped in the snow.

Some of the infantry has been withdrawn and replaced by Bluejackets.

DOCKYARDS BURNING.

Ruthless Slaughter by the Military.

The precise whereabouts of the Tsar is not known and is carefully concealed.

Large fires have broken out near Warsaw station, and the vast Sevastopol dockyards are on fire.

The fighting in St. Petersburg, which stopped yesterday morning, has been again resumed, and the ruthless slaughter of unarmed crowds has horrified the public; seething comparisons are made on all sides on the bravery of the military against a defenceless public in contrast to their conduct in Manchuria.

The former mutual distrust between the educated reformers and the workmen has vanished.

A HINT FROM SWATOW.

The New Railway.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Swatow, January 18. Swatow is showing you the lead. While your Kowloon-Canton Railway is still in the visionary stage the embankment for the line from Swatow to Chowchow is actually being made; indeed, for some miles behind Swatow it already rears its length above the flat surface of the paddy fields.

Work at the Chowchow end is about to begin, the Japanese in charge, with their women folk, having recently established themselves in some temples outside the west gate.

The Fu terminus will probably be made near that gate.

Where the Swatow station will be seems to be still a secret, although land has been bought on the coast near the Japanese Consulate.

The operations at present proceeding are across the river some little distance behind the town. Is it due to our Japanese friends being in charge that so little is known about the company and its plans?

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TWO FIRES THIS MORNING.

Two fires occurred this morning, the first of which was at No. 10 New Market Street, near the scene of a fire which took place a few days ago. By the time that the Fire Brigade received the alarm and got on to the scene the flames were coming out of the roof of the house and as the place, which was a eating shop, afforded plenty of food for the fire, it burnt fiercely and an adjoining house at No. 3 Tung Lai Lane also caught fire. The Brigade turned a good force of water on to the burning houses and succeeded in getting the outbreak under control after considerable damage had been done, but before the houses were gutted. On No. 10 New Market Street insurance has been reported to the amount of \$150.

The second fire was at Mr. Robinson's residence in Osine Road where the fire is supposed to have broken out in the bathroom about 10 o'clock. The contents and roof of the bathroom was considerably damaged before the flames were extinguished. The damage is estimated at \$100.

REVIEWS.

VAISE BALLET, 6th Valse pour piano. Op. 112.

CAPRICE HUMORISTIQUE, pour piano. Op. 113. Enoch and Sons.

The 'obscure sketches' designation of these two pieces may be said to be justified. The 'Valse-Ballet' in C—makes a distinctive and effective pianoforte solo. It requires characteristic treatment, and some knowledge and taste in Ballerina to do it justice, but executively it will not be found difficult. The composition seems with melody.

The 'Caprice Humorique' will prove a very acceptable addition to the limited repertoire—as far as difficult music is concerned—of original compositions for the pianoforte. Every player should provide himself or herself with a copy of each, as only as a study. Written in E-flat major, E-flat major, with an Allegro 3/4 tempo, the piece all through bubbles over with animation and calls for a great amount of executive ability on the part of the performer. The practical utility of this clever composition to all advanced pianists is obvious.

SOUVENIR AND DANCE ROCCO, from 'Five Etudes pittoresques pour piano' by Georges H. Chittman, Enoch and Sons.

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